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H. Idaho Commission for Libraries

The Idaho Commission for Libraries assists libraries to build the capacity to better serve their clientele.

1. Board of Library Commissioners.

a. The Board of Library Commissioners consists of five (5) commissioners appointed by the State Board of Education. OSBE shall annually appoint one commissioner for a term of five (5) years.

b. Board Appointment Procedures:

(1) Incumbent Reappointment

In the event that the incumbent candidate is interested in reappointment, the Board of Library Commissioners shall forward a recommendation to the Board, along with a letter of interest and statement of qualifications for the incumbent. The State Board of Education may choose to reappoint the incumbent without soliciting other candidates, thus completing the appointment procedures. If there is no incumbent seeking reappointment, or if the Board chooses not to reappoint an incumbent, the procedures are as outlined in item (2).

(2) Open Appointment

- (a) The Board of Library Commissioners, on behalf of the State Board of Education, will advertise the vacancy in appropriate state, regional or local publications. Such advertisements will solicit interested persons to apply for the vacant position on the Idaho Board of Library Commissioners.
- (b) Each applicant must provide a written statement expressing his or her interest in becoming a member of the Board of Library Commissioners. Each applicant must also provide evidence of his or her qualifications, and must identify his or her primary residence.
- (c) The Board of Library Commissioners will review all applications for the vacant position and conduct interviews as deemed necessary. The purpose of this review is to eliminate from further consideration all but the most qualified applicants.
- (d) The Board of Library Commissioners will forward only the most highly qualified applicants, in order of preference, to the State Board of Education for consideration. The Board may provide for interviews of the applicants, or may make the appointment based on the recommendation of the Board of Library Commissioners.
- (3) The Board of Library Commissioners, in making their recommendation, and the State Board of Education, in making the final appointment, shall consider geographical

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representation, interest, knowledge, experience, and willingness to advocate for the development and delivery of library and information services in Idaho.

2. Policies and Procedures.

The Board of Library Commissioners elects its own officers and makes all necessary rules for the conduct of the public business entrusted to its care.

3. Budgetary and Other Matters.

The Board of Library Commissioners, through its chief executive officer, submits an annual budget request to the State Board of Education on a schedule established by the executive director or his or her designee. Other matters that might involve the Commission for Libraries are referred to in these Governing Policies and Procedures of the State Board of Education.